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Application No. 09/818,583-Conf. #3656	Filing Date March 28, 2001	Examiner Y. Kim	Art Unit 1637	
Applicant(s): Hiroshi Tonoike				
Invention: METHOD FOR SYNTHESIS OF NUCLEIC ACIDS				
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated August 7, 2003 (Paper No. 15), finally rejecting claims 1-6, 11 and 12, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper